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TO: ALL CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP)
PROGRAM DIRECTORS, DEPUTY DIRECTORS, MEDICAL
CONSULTANTS, STATE CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS)
BRANCH STAFF AND REGIONAL OFFICE STAFF

SUBJECT: CHDP ASTHMA PROJECT - APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005

The CHDP Asthma Project has funds available for local CHDP programs to use for training and educational events to help improve the quality of asthma assessment, diagnosis and treatment in young children. Local CHDP programs can use the funds to support development, modification and/or procurement of asthma information and educational materials for asthma anticipatory guidance. The CHDP Asthma Project is sponsored through funding from the California Children and Families Commission (CCFC) and, therefore, activities must focus on children under the age of five years. All trainings must include special consideration of this population.

Enclosed is a document, entitled CHDP Asthma Project Guidance, which provides information about these funds and how to apply for them. CMS Branch has identified two major categories of support for the CHDP Asthma Project: 1) Professional Asthma Education and Training and 2) Community-Specific Asthma Education Projects. All funded activities will need to include information on the CHDP Gateway and the CCFC School Readiness Initiative.

Local CHDP programs will need to submit separate applications for asthma trainings and/or community-specific projects to CMS Branch for review and approval. CMS Branch has a contract with California State University, Sacramento (CSUS), College of Community Education to procure asthma-related trainings, educational events, and education materials and services for local CHDP programs. CSUS will arrange for, and procure training support and education services at the direction of, and in collaboration with CMS Branch.

The professional education and training applications are due by November 30, 2004, with approval by CMS Branch in mid December. The community-specific asthma project applications are due by December 20, 2004, with approval by early January. Approved trainings must be completed by March 25, 2005 and community-specific projects must be completed by April 15, 2005. A brief, one-page evaluation project report on these activities will be due by June 1, 2005 and will be used to report outcomes to CCFC.

If you have any questions or would like technical assistance about participating in this project, please contact Nancy Snyder, at (916) 327-2408 or by email, at nsnyder@dhs.ca.gov or Julie Linderman, at (916) 323-8092 or by email, at jlinderm@dhs.ca.gov.

Thank you for your continued interest and support in reducing asthma morbidity and improving the quality of life for children with asthma and their families.

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Enclosures